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1. NIALL MACDERMOT, (ICJ) MET WITH AMBASSADOR VANDEN HEUVEL JULY 18 AND DISCUSSED WITH HIM THE SAME ITEMS REPORTED IN REF B.
2. MACDERMOT GAVE THE AMBASSADOR A LIST OF THE GOVERNMENTS WHICH ICJ HAS INVITED TO SUPPORT THE DRAFT OPTIONAL PROTOCOL (REF B, PARA 2). THEY INCLUDE IVORY COAST, LESOTHO, JORDAN, SRI LANKA, MALAYSIA, VENEZUELA, COSTA RICA, BARBADOS, JAMAICA, AUSTRALIA, AUSTRIA, CANADA, NETHERLANDS, SWITZERLAND. SENEGAL HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO SUBMIT THE DRAFT TO THE 35TH HRC. MACDERMOT IS GIVING SOME THOUGHT TO REQUESTING THAT SRI LANKA LOBBY FOR THE PROTOCOL IN THE THIRD COMMITTEE. TO DATE ONLY BARBADOS HAS RESPONDED TO THE ICJ REQUEST. IT APPEARS THAT THE GOB WILL SUPPORT THE INITIATIVE.
3. MISSION AGREES WITH MACDERMOT REGARDING THE NEED TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DEVELOP PLANS FOR ADVANCING ADOPTION OF DRAFT CONVENTION DURING GENERAL ASSEMBLY. PERHAPS THE TACTICS USED LAST YEAR BY US DEL COULD BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS YEAR'S SESSION I.E. A DRAFT RES. CALLING FOR A WORKING GROUP TO REVIEW ALLEGATIONS OF TORTURE. THE FEAR OF HAVING SUCH A GROUP ESTABLISHED MIGHT LEAD TO INCREASED SUPPORT FOR ADOPTION OF THE CONVENTION.

4. MACDERMOT SUGGESTED, AND MISSION CONCURS, THAT SOME THOUGHT BE GIVEN TO THE SELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN OF THE WORKING GROUP SCHEDULED TO MEET THE WEEK BEFORE THE 35TH HRC AND CHARGED WITH DRAFTING PROPOSALS FOR THE DRAFT CONVENTION. MACDERMOT BELIEVES M'BAYE WOULD BE AN EXCELLENT LEADER FOR THIS GROUP IF IT DOES NOT CONFLICT WITH HIS ROLE AS CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION. MISSION BELIEVES M'BAYE WOULD BE A GOOD CHOICE BUT WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SUGGEST THAT CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO THE COLOMBIAN DEL (SAMPER) WHO SHOWED SOUND JUDGMENT AND INDEPENDENCE ON A NUMBER OF ISSUES DURING THE 34TH HRC SESSION. VANDEN HEUVEL

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